



VASAB Expert and Stakeholder Meeting on Demographic Trends and Labor Market Development

Kaunas, Lithuania

8 June 2010

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Agenda

Tuesday, 8 June

Park Inn Kaunas

8:00 – 8:30

Registration, coffee/ tea

8:30 – 10:00

Session 1 Room Beta

Opening. *Aleksandras Gordevičius, VASAB CSPD/BSR Chairman, Head of Spatial Planning and Regional Policy Division, Ministry of the Environment, Lithuania*

Introduction. *Moderator Dr. Garri Raagmaa, Research fellow of Department of Geography, University of Tartu*

ESPON DEMIFER project - *Lisa Van Well, Research fellow of Nordregio*

NSR INTERREG DC NOISE project - *Roos Galjaard, Advisor and project manager DC NOISE at Bureau PAU*

BSR INTERREG HINTERLAND project - *Torsten Naubert, Region Planning Council Havelland-Fläming*

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00

Session 2 Room Beta

Round table discussion. *Moderator Dr. Zaiga Krišjāne, Professor of Department of Geography, Chairperson of Human Geography, University of Latvia*

Key questions to be addressed:

- 1) spatial consequences of demographic development in your country;
- 2) new challenges of social cohesion in your country in order to achieve more coherent and stronger social fabric,
- 3) brief reflection from national view point to the findings of the transnational projects presented in the first session.

Participants of the round table discussion:

Finland - *Dr. Ilari Karppi, Adjunct Professor of Regional Studies, University of Tampere*

Lithuania - *Dr. Vlada Stankūnienė, Head of Demographic Research Center, Institute for Social Research*

Latvia - *Dr. Zaiga Krišjāne, Professor of Department of Geography, Chairperson of Human Geography, University of Latvia*

Russia - *Dr. Natalia Klimenko, Deputy Head of the Baltic Sea Region Institute, Immanuel Kant State University of Russia*

Germany - *Dr. Joachim Ragnitz, Managing Director of Ifo Dresden, Ifo Institute for Economic Research*

Sweden - *Dr. Daniel Rauhut, Researcher, Division of Urban and Regional Studies, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH)*

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch buffet

13:00 – 15:00

Session 3 *Room Delta*

Discussions and conclusions

Moderator Dr. Garri Raagmaa, Research fellow of Department of Geography, University of Tartu